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SUBJECT: JOKES

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EAGLEBURGER

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A FIRST INSTALLMENT CALCULATED TO  
WHET YOUR APPETITE. MOORE IS WORKING ON JOKES AND I  
WILL SEND THOSE AS SOON AS THEY ARE READY. I HAVE NOT  
BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE BUCHWALD. I WILL TRY AGAIN MONDAY  
MORNING AND SEE IF WE CAN HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU BY  
TUESDAY WHEN YOU RETURN.

2. SUGGESTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) I SPENT A GOOD PART OF MY LIFE IN NEW YORK, AND IT WAS NOT  
EASY TO LEAVE, AS ANY NEW YORKER KNOWS WHO HAS TRIED  
TO DRIVE ON THE LONG ISLAND EXPRESSWAY ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

(B) ONE OF THE THINGS I REMEMBER BEST ABOUT NEW YORK WHEN  
I FIRST CAME FROM GERMANY WAS THAT I FELT AT HOME. NOBODY  
NOTICED I HAD AN ACCENT.

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(C) IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN CONFUSING TO VISITORS THAT EVERY

NEW YORKER IS IN A HURRY. HOWEVER, THEY SOON UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS AN EXAMPLE SET BY NEW YORK'S GOVERNORS. THEY ARE ALWAYS RUNNING.

(D) NELSON ROCKEFELLER, OF COURSE, IS A NEW YORKER. I AM TOLD CONFIDENTIALLY THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE REASON HE IS MOVING TO WASHINGTON: HE CAN'T BUY IT AND MOVE IT TO NEW YORK.

(E) I ASKED NELSON MYSELF WHY HE WAS COMING TO WASHINGTON AFTER SO MANY YEARS IN ALBANY. HE TOLD ME THE STORY OF PRINCE RAMA, WHO BECAME REVERED AS BUDDAH. PRINCE RAMA SAT UNDER A TREE CONTEMPLATING FOR TWO YEARS. AT THE END OF TWO YEARS A VILLAGER APPROACHED HIM AND SAID, "OH, PRINCE, WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED FROM YOUR CONTEMPLATION FOR TWO YEARS?" PRINCE RAMA REPLIED, "ONLY ONE THING AND IT IS THAT I AM NOT A CREATURE OF IMPULSE." INGERSOLL

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